STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS19305

This legislation would change section 41-1846 to require insurance companies who offer chemotherapy cancer treatment to pay for those benefits no matter what deliver method is chosen under the major medical portion of the policy. Currently, many insurers cover intravenous chemotherapy medications under a patient's major medical benefit but oral chemotherapy medications generally fall under prescription benefits. Prescription benefits are usually far more limited and patients find themselves with no coverage or with limited coverage for these very expensive but life-saving medications

FISCAL NOTE

No impact to the state general fund

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